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SUBJECT: HARA- SMENT US RESEARCH VESSEL

- 1. ON 7 AND 8 MARCH VESSELS OF PERUVIAN NAVY HAVE BOARDED RESEARCH VESSEL KANA KEOKI. UNIV. OF HAWAII TRYING TO OBTAIN VESSEL NAMES. ON FIRST OCCASION PERU NAVY OFFICIAL SAID HE WOULD NOTIFY OTHER UNITS THAT ALL WAS WELL. ON FOLLOWING DAY KANA KEOKI BOARDED AGAIN BY DIFFERENT VESSEL. THIS VESSEL HAD CUT IMMEDIATELY ACROSS KANA KEOKI'S BOW AT HIGH SPEED FORCING THEM TO BACK DOWN HARD. ASIDE FROM OBVIOUS SAFETY QUESTION, THE KANA KEOKI TOWS A GREAT DEAL OF EXPENSIVE EQUIPMENT (MAGNETOMETER, HYDROPHONE ARRAY, AIR GUN) WHICH MIGHT BE EASILY DAMAGED DURING SUCH A MANUEVER.
- 2. HAWAII HAS ASKED CONTACTS AT GEOPHYSICAL INSTITUTE TO TRY TO OBTAIN INFORMATION.
- 3. ACTION: INVESTIGATE INCIDENTS AND REPORT. IF INCIDENTS VERIFIED, MAKE LOW KEY REPRESENTATIONS NOTING VESSEL CLEARED FOR RESEARCH OPERATIONS BY GOP, DANGER TO SAFETY OF VESSEL AND CREW, AND CUTTING ACROSS BOWS IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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